

LIHEAP Supplemental Appropriations Bill Senate File 65

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AN ACT providing supplemental funding for the Low-income Home Energy Assistance Program for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2000, and providing an effective date.



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NOTES ON BILLS AND AMENDMENTS (NOBA)

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY NOTES ON BILLS AND AMENDMENTS

SENATE FILE 65 LIHEAP SUPPLEMENTAL

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS TO LIHEAP

- Appropriates \$2.3 million from the Department of Management's Innovations Fund to the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). (Page 1, Line 1)
- Appropriates \$2.4 million from the Iowa Finance Authority's Housing Program Fund to LIHEAP. (Page 1, Line 15)
- Appropriates \$6.6 million from the Department of Natural Resources' Groundwater Protection Fund to LIHEAP. (Page 1, Line 30)

CHANGES TO LIHEAP ALLOCATIONS

- Caps the amount of residential weatherization at \$3.3 million for FY 2001 and reallocates \$1.9 million to LIHEAP payments for heating assistance. (Page 2, Line 10)
- Caps the amount of funds allowed for administrative purposes at \$2.0 million for FY 2001 and reallocates \$1.7 million to LIHEAP payments for heating assistance. (Page 2, Line 22)
- Caps the amount of funds allowed for assessment and resolution at \$641,000 for FY 2001 and reallocates \$74,000 to LIHEAP payments for heating assistance. (Page 3, Line 5)

EFFECTIVE DATE

- Provides that the Bill is effective upon enactment. (Page 3, Line 24)

Senate File 65

Senate File 65 provides for the following changes to the Code of Iowa.

Page #	Line #	BillSection	Action	CodeSection	Description
2	10	Section 4	Amends	Chapter 1220, Section 11.2, 2000 Iowa Acts	Weatherization Reallocation
2	22	Section 5	Amends	Chapter 1220, Section 11.3, 2000 Iowa Acts	Administration Reallocation
3	5	Section 6	Amends	Chapter 1220, Section 11.6, 2000 Iowa Acts	Assessment Resolution Reallocation
3	15	Section 7	Amends	Chapter 1220, Section 17.2, 2000 Iowa Acts	Directs Additional Federal Funds

1 1 Section 1. INNOVATIONS FUND. There is appropriated from
1 2 the innovations fund created in section 8.63 to the department
1 3 of human rights for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2000,
1 4 and ending June 30, 2001, the following amount from moneys in
1 5 the fund that are otherwise unencumbered or unobligated on the
1 6 effective date of this Act, or so much thereof as is
1 7 necessary, to be used for the purpose designated:
1 8 For supplementation of the low-income home energy
1 9 assistance appropriation made in 2000 Iowa Acts, chapter 1220,
1 10 section 11, to be used to help eligible households meet home
1 11 energy costs in accordance with 2000 Iowa Acts, chapter 1220,
1 12 section 11, subsection 4, and none of the following amount
1 13 shall be used for administrative expenses:
1 14 \$ 2,343,051

Supplemental appropriation from the Department of Management's Innovations Fund to the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP).

DETAIL: The Innovations Fund is used by State agencies to finance advanced technology, contract for expert services, and to acquire equipment and supplies.

1 15 Sec. 2. HOUSING PROGRAM FUND. There is appropriated from
1 16 the housing program fund created in section 16.40 to the
1 17 department of human rights for the fiscal year beginning July
1 18 1, 2000, and ending June 30, 2001, the following amount from
1 19 moneys in the fund that are otherwise unencumbered or
1 20 unobligated on the effective date of this Act, or so much
1 21 thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purpose
1 22 designated:
1 23 For supplementation of the low-income home energy
1 24 assistance appropriation made in 2000 Iowa Acts, chapter 1220,
1 25 section 11, to be used to help eligible households meet home
1 26 energy costs in accordance with 2000 Iowa Acts, chapter 1220,
1 27 section 11, subsection 4, and none of the following amount
1 28 shall be used for administrative expenses:
1 29 \$ 2,446,260

Supplemental appropriation from the Iowa Finance Authority's Housing Program Fund to the LIHEAP.

DETAIL: The Housing Program Fund finances the Down Payment/Closing Cost Grant Program, FirstHome Plus Program, and the Housing Assistance Fund.

1 30 Sec. 3. GROUNDWATER PROTECTION FUND. There is
1 31 appropriated from the groundwater protection fund created in

Supplemental appropriation from the Department of Natural Resources' Groundwater Protection Fund to the LIHEAP.

1 32 section 455E.11 to the department of human rights for the
1 33 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2000, and ending June 30, 2001,
1 34 the following amount from moneys in the fund that are
1 35 otherwise unencumbered or unobligated on the effective date of
2 1 this Act, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for
2 2 the purpose designated:
2 3 For supplementation of the low-income home energy
2 4 assistance appropriation made in 2000 Iowa Acts, chapter 1220,
2 5 section 11, to be used to help eligible households meet home
2 6 energy costs in accordance with 2000 Iowa Acts, chapter 1220,
2 7 section 11, subsection 4, and none of the following amount
2 8 shall be used for administrative expenses:
2 9 \$ 6,553,024

DETAIL: The Groundwater Protection Fund finances several environmental programs. The two largest are the Agriculture Management Account and the Solid Waste Account. Both programs provide grants to private and governmental entities.

2 10 Sec. 4. 2000 Iowa Acts, chapter 1220, section 11,
2 11 subsection 2, is amended by striking the subsection and
2 12 inserting in lieu thereof the following:
2 13 2. Not more than \$3,305,016 of the amounts of federal and
2 14 state moneys appropriated for purposes of the low-income home
2 15 energy assistance program for the federal fiscal year
2 16 beginning October 1, 2000, and ending September 30, 2001, and
2 17 for the state fiscal year beginning July 1, 2000, and ending
2 18 June 30, 2001, that are actually received, shall be used for
2 19 residential weatherization or other related home repairs for
2 20 low-income households. Of this allocation amount, not more
2 21 than 10 percent may be used for administrative expenses.

CODE: Caps the amount of funds that may be used for the purpose of residential weatherization and reallocates funds in the amount \$1,865,771 to LIHEAP payments for heating assistance.

2 22 Sec. 5. 2000 Iowa Acts, chapter 1220, section 11,
2 23 subsection 3, is amended to read as follows:
2 24 3. After subtracting the allocation in subsection 2,
2 25 ~~\$1,695,854, or 10 percent of the remainder of the~~
2 26 ~~appropriation in this section actually received, whichever is~~
2 27 ~~less, \$1,995,780~~ is allocated for administrative expenses of

CODE: Caps the amount of funds that may be used for the purpose of administration and reallocates funds in the amount of \$1,717,455 to LIHEAP payments for heating assistance.

2 28 the low-income home energy assistance program. Not more than
2 29 \$290,000 of the amount allocated in this subsection shall be
2 30 used for administrative expenses of the division. Funding for
2 31 administrative expenses of any type from the amounts
2 32 appropriated for the program in this Act and from state
2 33 funding sources for the state fiscal year beginning July 1,
2 34 2000, shall be limited to the amounts authorized in this
2 35 subsection. The costs of auditing the use and administration
3 1 of the portion of the appropriation in this section that is
3 2 retained by the state shall be paid from the amount allocated
3 3 in this subsection to the division. The auditor of state
3 4 shall bill the division for the audit costs.

3 5 Sec. 6. 2000 Iowa Acts, chapter 1220, section 11,
3 6 subsection 6, is amended to read as follows:
3 7 6. Expenditures for assessment and resolution of energy
3 8 problems shall be limited to ~~5 percent of the amount~~
3 9 ~~appropriated in this section~~ \$640,561 from the amounts
3 10 appropriated in this Act and any other Act providing funding
3 11 for purposes of the low-income home energy assistance program
3 12 for all or a portion of the federal fiscal year beginning
3 13 October 1, 2000, and ending September 30, 2001, that is
3 14 actually received.

CODE: Caps the amount of funds that may be used for the purpose of assessment and resolution and reallocates funds in the amount of \$74,439 to LIHEAP payments for heating assistance.

3 15 Sec. 7. 2000 Iowa Acts, chapter 1220, section 17,
3 16 subsection 2, is amended to read as follows:
3 17 2. If actual funds received from the federal government
3 18 from block grants exceed the amount appropriated in section 11
3 19 of this Act for the low-income home energy assistance program,
3 20 ~~45 100 percent of the excess shall be allocated to the low-~~
3 21 ~~income residential weatherization program help eligible~~
3 22 households meet home energy costs in accordance with section
3 23 11, subsection 4.

CODE: Requires that all additional federal funds for federal FY 2001 must be allocated to LIHEAP payments for heating assistance for eligible low-income recipients.

3 24 Sec. 8. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of
3 25 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

Provides that the Bill is effective upon enactment.

3 26 EXPLANATION

3 27 This bill provides supplemental funding for the low-income
3 28 home energy assistance program for the fiscal year beginning
3 29 July 1, 2000. The appropriation of federal block grant
3 30 funding made to the program is supplemented with
3 31 appropriations made from the innovations fund, housing program
3 32 fund, and groundwater protection fund. The supplemental
3 33 amounts are to be used to help eligible households meet home
3 34 energy costs.

3 35 In addition, the existing appropriation of federal block
4 1 grant funding for the program is amended to specify the amount
4 2 of funding that may be used for residential weatherization or
4 3 other home repair, for administrative costs, and for
4 4 assessment and resolution of energy problems. Existing law is
4 5 also amended to provide that if more federal funding is
4 6 received for the purposes of the block grant than was
4 7 anticipated, all of the additional funding must be used to
4 8 help eligible households meet home energy costs in lieu of the
4 9 existing allocation of 15 percent of the additional funding
4 10 for weatherization.

4 11 The bill takes effect upon enactment.

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Summary Data

Non General Fund

	Actual FY 1999 (1)	Actual FY 2000 (2)	Estimated FY 2001 (3)	S-Senate Appr FY 2001 (4)	Page & Line Number (5)
Health and Human Rights	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 11,342,335	
Grand Total	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 11,342,335</u>	

Health and Human Rights

Non General Fund

	Actual FY 1999 (1)	Actual FY 2000 (2)	Estimated FY 2001 (3)	S-Senate Appr FY 2001 (4)	Page & Line Number (5)
Human Rights, Department of					
Innovations Fund - LIHEAP				\$ 2,343,051	PG 1 LN 1
Housing Fund - LIHEAP				2,446,260	PG 1 LN 15
Groundwater Fund - LIHEAP				6,553,024	PG 1 LN 30
Total Human Rights, Department of	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 11,342,335	
Total Health and Human Rights	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 11,342,335</u>	